

TITLE 18
CRIMES AND PUNISHMENTS

CHAPTER 32

FALSIFYING, MUTILATING OR CONCEALING PUBLIC RECORDS OR WRITTEN INSTRUMENTS

18-3201. OFFICER STEALING, MUTILATING OR FALSIFYING PUBLIC RECORDS. Any public officer, law enforcement officer, or subordinate thereof, who wilfully destroys, alters, falsifies or commits the theft of the whole or any part of any police report or any record kept as part of the official governmental records of the state or any county or municipality in the state, shall be guilty of a felony and is punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for not more than fourteen (14) years.

[18-3201, added 1972, ch. 336, sec. 1, p. 910; am. 1982, ch. 367, sec. 1, p. 918.]

18-3202. PRIVATE PERSON STEALING, MUTILATING OR FALSIFYING PUBLIC RECORDS. Every person not an officer such as is referred to in the preceding section, who is guilty of any of the acts specified in that section, is punishable by imprisonment in the state prison not exceeding five (5) years, or in a county jail not exceeding one (1) year, or by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars (\$1,000), or by both.

[18-3202, added 1972, ch. 336, sec. 1, p. 910; am. 2006, ch. 71, sec. 8, p. 219.]

18-3203. OFFERING FALSE OR FORGED INSTRUMENT FOR RECORD. Every person who knowingly procures or offers any false or forged instrument to be filed, registered or recorded in any public office within this state, which instrument, if genuine, might be filed, or registered, or recorded under any law of this state, or of the United States, is guilty of a felony.

[18-3203, added 1972, ch. 336, sec. 1, p. 910.]

18-3204. FALSE CERTIFICATES OR OTHER INSTRUMENTS FROM OFFICERS. Every public officer authorized by law to make or give any certificate or other writing, who makes and delivers as true any such certificate or writing, containing statements which he knows to be false, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

[18-3204, added 1972, ch. 336, sec. 1, p. 910.]

18-3205. DESTROYING LEGAL NOTICES. Every person who intentionally defaces, obliterates, tears down or destroys any copy or transcript, or extract from or of any law of the United States or of this state, or any proclamation, advertisement or notification set up at any place in this state, by authority of any law of the United States or of this state, or by order of any court, before the expiration of the time for which the same was to remain set up, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

[18-3205, added 1972, ch. 336, sec. 1, p. 910; am. 1994, ch. 131, sec. 13, p. 300.]

18-3206. MUTILATING WRITTEN INSTRUMENTS. A person who maliciously mutilates, tears, defaces, obliterates or destroys any written instrument, the property of another, the false making of which would be forgery, is punishable by imprisonment in the state prison for not less than one (1) nor more than five (5) years.

[18-3206, added 1972, ch. 336, sec. 1, p. 911.]